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**Title: APPARATUS FOR APPLYING ADHESIVE TO BLANKS IN PACKING MACHINES
FOR SMOKERS' PRODUCTS AND THE LIKE**

Sir:

Please find attached hereto patent application. It is hereby requested that this application be
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- ☒ 41 pages Specification, Claims, Abstract
- ☒ 3 sheets of Formal Drawings
- ☒ Declaration/Power of Attorney
- ☒ Assignment, certified cover sheet and recordation fee.
- ☒ Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 from German Patent Application No.100 07 220.8 filed
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- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO form 1449 with references cited.

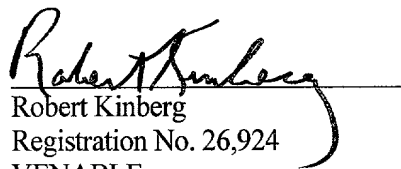
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